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## LEAFS IN FOREST CITY

The Leafs came to town Sunday, and their fans were ready. People partied outside Budweiser Gardens ahead of the pre-season opener against the Philadelphia Flyers. Among them were Londoners Andrew Goodfellow and sons Myles, left, and Mychael. See pages 2 and 17 for more. **MIKE DONACHIE/METRO**

# Beefy report on Burgergate hard to swallow

**'Muzzled'.** Councillors know their fate, but they can't tell anyone

They're calling it Burgergate, and it's looking pretty hard to digest.

But, just as if they had a big mouthful of burger, the mayor and six councillors at the centre of London's big political scandal can't say a word.

That hasn't stopped the arguing between councillors and Andre Marin, the outspoken Ontario Ombudsman who has decided whether the rules have been broken.

It's all about a 45-minute meeting at Billy T's Bar and Grill in February. The total bill

was \$61 and change.

Mayor Joe Fontana has confirmed he invited councillors to the restaurant to discuss "economic development." That triggered complaints to the ombudsman, who's been investigating whether a secret meeting took place. City meetings must be in public.

Months later and his completed report was sent to councillors, by courier, on Friday night. They have a chance to comment on its details and it goes back to the ombudsman, who will then make it public.

Coun. Stephen Orser couldn't say what is in the report, but he clearly was not in a good mood Sunday.

"I've been muzzled," he said, "by Mr. Accountability

and Transparency."

Orser accused Marin of presiding over a flawed system that makes him "judge, jury and executioner."

"It's critically important for this bureaucrat to maintain the strings of control of everything," said Orser.

"As such, a number of the problems in the whole judicial process — and that's what it is — are, although the Ombudsman Act gives us the rights of any witnesses in court, the ombudsman puts some hurdles in front of that and you're barely able to defend yourself."

Orser says he can't cross-examine witnesses against him or see transcripts of everything that was said to the inquiry.

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## Taxi rules discussed

## Pay up front or get out?

Cab drivers in London may be asking for payment up front more often.

A range of topics were thrashed out between drivers' representatives and city staff after meetings, private and public, looked at the pressures on drivers and the service they should offer.

It was noted drivers were not banned from asking for payment in advance if they thought people might not be able to pay.

But the refined bylaws, to be discussed at a special meeting of the city's community and protective services committee Monday, will see drivers display stickers in their vehicles warning customers of the possibility.

Cab drivers were vocal at last week's meeting of the same committee, with many talking of cost pressures. A big issue was insurance, with individual insurance more costly than paying as part of a fleet.

Others include how old a car must be before it can become a cab. That's changing from three years to four. Drivers' hours of work could also increase from 12 to 14 per shift.

Staff will also consider allowing a clean-up charge, with \$100 suggested in last week's debate, for people making a mess — which usually means throwing up — in a cab.

All topics are on the table Monday and must be approved by council Tuesday night.

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## Health Unit warning

## West Nile still hitting London

Don't pack your fly swatter away just yet. West Nile virus is still making its way around London despite cooler temperatures.

Officials at the Middlesex-London Health Unit say a total of four mosquitoes found in traps around the city have tested positive this year. That's three additional ones since the first positive test was reported July 17.

The latest findings were near Wellington and Southdale roads and Huron and Adelaide streets.

"Residents need to remain diligent at protecting themselves until the first hard frost," says Iqbal Kalsi, the health unit's environmental health manager.

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## Revvin' for Kevin team roots for teen at Terry Fox Run

There were tears and smiles and personal stories among the thousands who joined the Terry Fox Run on Sunday. Among them were the Siddall family — all 28 of them — who ran for Kevin Siddall, a 14-year-old diagnosed with cancer and fighting bravely in hospital in London. Those Revvin' For Kevin included, from left, Ken-dra, Shawn, baby Hayden, Kathryn and Kathy Siddall. In all, 1,200 people joined the run at Springbank Park and 1,500 at Western University. MIKE DONACHIE/METRO

# Fire and ice at Budweiser Gardens

## Wet and wild. Fans party ahead of Leafs' pre-season opener in London



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The Toronto Maple Leafs were back, and London fans turned out to greet them.

The Leafs Nation was all fired up for a night of action on the ice at Budweiser Gar-

dens, and before that there was the small matter of a party.

The street outside the venue was closed for the afternoon so fans could live it up.

There was music, a beer tent, family entertainment like face-painting and even the vintage Labatt beer truck that always draws appreciative looks.

London Lightning were there with a hoop and some tips for the amateurs, while there was street hockey for the kids and even a chain-

## A bit of history

It was the Maple Leafs' ninth pre-season appearance in London.

- Twice before, the Leafs and the Flyers met at Bud Gardens, with the Leafs winning both times.
- For coverage of the game, see page 17.

saw woodcarver making some noise.

But it was a week when the weather had not been kind. Wednesday's storm wasn't repeated but there was enough rain to send people scuttling for shelter.

Among the fans in familiar blue and white were Andrew Goodfellow and sons Myles and Mychael.

"Mother Nature's not cooperating but, hey, we're having fun," he smiled.

The dark skies did bring benefits for downtown bars and restaurants, which filled up fast as fans avoided the rain.

## Business boot camp for stores. Experts offer retailers tools for success

Two downtown London shops are about to be put through the equivalent of a business boot camp.

Leaders of a non-profit called 30 Days of Progress will be in London on Monday and Tuesday, offering up tools for success to the owners of Uber Cool Stuff and Mas Cafe.

The local stop is part an inaugural Five Cities in Five Days tour that will see experts from 30 Days helping with everything from marketing to growth strategies.

Other cities in the tour's loop are Kitchener, Brantford, Hamilton and Burlington.

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## London's Favourite Little Gem. School shines brightest in city

Lorne Avenue Public School has unofficially been dubbed London's Favourite Little Gem.

The title comes after an online campaign that saw people pick their favourite spots across city, and rally for "likes" on NeighbourGoodGuide.ca.

Lorne Avenue school is deserving of the win "for its

longtime and continuing role in promoting a sense of value in young people and area residents," according to the campaign leader.

The Old East Village landmark has been a hot-button topic for years after the Thames Valley District School Board recommended closing it. METRO



# Kickstarter offers London game developers a boost

**Success.** Local projects launched after crowdfunding website opens in Canada



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Imagine this. A video game with a nimble ninja or a swashbuckling Viking that bears your resemblance.

How about an evil villain sporting the name of your good-for-nothing ex?

It could all happen, assuming you've got a little extra cash — OK, a lot of extra cash — burning a hole in your pocket.

"We want players to be there with us from the ground up," Big Viking Games producer Chris Brousseau said about the company's newest project, Tiny Kingdoms.

It's an idea the London game-development firm has been toying with for a while. But adding that level of depth to a game can be expensive and "risky," as Brousseau puts it.

Enter Kickstarter.

The company's intro to Canada has thrown the doors wide open for Brousseau and pretty much anyone else with a vision.

Whether it's a neat idea

**Powerhouse**

## Appeal behind the name

Kickstarter might be the newest, but it's far from the only crowdfunding platform Canadians can tap.

So why were so many people holding out for a Kickstarter launch?

Several said they wanted their name and project tied with what they consider the ultimate powerhouse for bringing in big bucks.

Simply put: "Kickstarter has a bigger brand (and is) more popular" than other options, Big Viking Games' Chris Brousseau said. **ANGELA MULLINS/METRO**



The Big Viking Games team behind Tiny Kingdoms is hoping Kickstarter's launch in Canada will help them score a bigger, better game. **ANGELA MULLINS/METRO**

With Kickstarter backers as a base, "we can have a little more confidence," he added.

Brousseau and company started their \$50,000 campaign Thursday — less than a week after Kickstarter welcomed Canada on board Sept. 9. And, in terms of early showings from London, Big Viking was a bit behind

the game.

London rocker Scott Bentley, a.k.a Steven R. Stunning, went live with an \$8,563 ask on Wednesday, promising six additional tracks on a retrospective record (we're talking pressed wax here folks) covering his 30-year career.

Unsacred Seed, a local metal band, launched a \$2,500 campaign on opening

day, looking to break even on the upcoming release of its second album.

Lead guitarist Andrew Murray knew months ago that Kickstarter could prove quite lucrative.

He didn't know exactly how lucrative it would be until a few days ago.

Unsacred Seed's first album hit Bandcamp.com

earlier this year, allowing people to download it for free or pony up cash if they felt so inclined.

Two months in, the band had netted about \$200. More than \$500 was donated to their Kickstarter campaign in a matter of days.

"It's pretty amazing what's happened so far," Murray said.

## At least 15 more days behind bars for two Londoners in Egypt

An Egyptian prosecutor has ordered London men John Greyson and Dr. Tarek Loubani to spend at least another 15 days behind bars in Cairo.

Greyson and Loubani have now been in custody for 30 days, according to their friend and spokesperson Justin Podur.

They were arrested Aug. 16 after entering a police station to ask for directions. No charges have been laid, but Egyptian prosecutors have alleged the men conspired with the Muslim Brotherhood in an attack on a police station.

A consular request for the two men to be moved to a less crowded cell was granted, ac-

cording to an update Sunday on a website operated by their supporters.

After numerous delays, consular staff and a lawyer representing Greyson and Loubani finally had an initial meeting with the district prosecutor on Saturday. A second meeting was scheduled for Sunday.

Both Greyson and Loubani remain in good health, the update said.

Further information will be made available Sunday afternoon.

At the time of their arrest, Greyson, a filmmaker originally from London, and Loubani, who lives and works in the For-

est City, were en route to Gaza, where Loubani was to teach emergency room medicine and Greyson was thinking of producing a documentary, friends and family have said.

During the Toronto International Film Festival, high-profile stars including filmmaker Sarah Polley and author Michael Ondaatje, called for the release of the two men alongside Greyson's sister Cecilia.

The president of York University, where Greyson is an associate professor and director of the graduate film program, has also issued a statement calling for the men to be freed.

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**Dr. Tarek Loubani is one of two London men jailed in Egypt.**

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## Wild weather. Ice cream and sweatshirts at the fair

There were big challenges and a little bit of history at this year's Western Fair.

The organizers of the big event where city meets country have declared it a success, despite big challenges provided by the weather.

Record-breaking temperatures clashed with a two-for-one day, keeping people indoors, then the big storm Wednesday night forced the event's first-ever shutdown.

That's likely to affect attendances, said spokesperson Heather Blackwell, but the final tally won't be available until Monday.

"It's been very successful on a number of fronts," said Blackwell.

"We always want to have a safe fair and we've achieved that this year.

"The attendance was great on the opening weekend and we had the weather to go with it.

"But we were challenged by Mother Nature. We had the hottest day ever and then we had tornado warnings and had to close the fair.

"That was the first time in the history of the fair."

Notable successes included the popularity of the "down on the farm" experience, where kids could get up close to animals, and audiences for the free concerts, she said.

**MIKE DONACHIE/METRO**



In this picture taken Wednesday, Pakistani university students try to access YouTube in Karachi, Pakistan. For almost a year, Pakistanis wanting to watch the video-sharing website YouTube have had to find alternatives.

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# YouTube ban in Pakistan faces court challenge

## Internet censorship.

Move has sparked debate on right to information vs. impulse to block material seen as offensive to Muslims

ToffeeTV has hit an unexpected snag. The Internet startup depended on YouTube to promote Hokey-Pokey, The Umm Nyum Nyum Song and other language-teaching clips it pro-

## Message

**"Surf Safely! ... The site you are trying to access contains content that is prohibited for viewership from within Pakistan."**

While the tech-savvy have ways to get around the ban, the vast majority of Pakistanis who try to view YouTube get the above message.

duces for children, but the video-sharing website has been

banned in Pakistan for nearly a year.

The measure was imposed to block videos that Muslims took as insulting and blasphemous. But the unintended consequence has been frustration for many companies, educators and students. A petition to end Internet censorship is before a Pakistani court, and a debate has been rekindled over how to reconcile the right to a free flow of information with a widespread public sentiment that Islam needs special protections. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

# Chemical weapons deal a 'victory': Syrian official

A high-ranking Syrian official called the U.S.-Russian agreement on securing Syria's chemical weapons a "victory" for President Bashar Assad's regime, but the U.S. warned Sunday "the threat of force is real" if Damascus fails to carry out the plan.

The comments by Syrian Minister of National Reconciliation Ali Haidar to a Russian state news agency were the first by a senior Syrian government official on the deal struck a day earlier in Geneva. Under the agreement, Syria will provide an inventory of its chemical arsenal within one week and hand over all of the components of its program by mid-2014.

"We welcome these agreements," Haidar was quoted as saying by the RIA Novosti agency. "On the one hand, they will help Syrians get out of the crisis, and on the other hand, they averted a war against Syria by removing the pretext for those who wanted to unleash one."

He added: "These agree-



U.S. Secretary of State John Kerry  
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ments are a credit to Russian diplomacy and the Russian leadership. This is a victory for Syria, achieved thanks to our Russian friends."

There has been no official statement from the Syrian government, and it was not clear whether Haidar's comments reflected Assad's thinking.

The deal, hashed out in marathon negotiations between U.S. and Russian dip-

## Lesson for Iran?

President Barack Obama says his administration's approach to Syria's chemical weapons should show Iran that there's the potential for diplomatic solutions to arms standoffs.

- But Obama says Iran shouldn't assume that his preference for diplomacy means the U.S. won't strike Tehran.
- Obama tells ABC's This Week that Iranians understand that their pursuit of a nuclear weapon is "a far larger issue for us" than the use of chemical weapons in Syria.

lomats, averts American missile strikes against the Assad regime, although the Obama administration has warned that the military option remains on the table if Damascus does not comply.

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## At least one dead

## Protesters, cops clash in Cambodia amid disputed election

Riot police in Cambodia clashed with protesters in the nation's capital on Sunday, shooting one to death and wounding six more, opposition activists said, in a new wave of demonstrations against Prime Minister Hun Sen's government following a disputed July election.

The demonstrations in Phnom Penh, which also

left one policeman injured, marked one of the biggest challenges yet against the autocratic rule of Prime Minister Hun Sen, who has been in power for nearly three decades. They also raised fears that even bloodier days could lay ahead, with opposition leader Sam Rainsy vowing to keep up the pressure until the country's post-election deadlock is resolved.

Although the government allowed Sunday's rally to go ahead, it had warned protesters to stay within the confines of the capital's Freedom Park.

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## Seemed amused

## Camera drone makes landing in front of Merkel

A camera drone had a rough landing in front of Chancellor Angela Merkel at an election campaign event in Germany after police told its operator to bring down the craft.

Photos from the event showed Merkel looking on in amusement as the small drone went down in front of her. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**





## Give your hare a break

People examine the wooden sculpture of a giant hare by artist Florentijn Hofman displayed near the St. Peter and St. Paul Fortress in St. Petersburg, Russia, on Sunday. The public art installation called Sunbathing Hare is part of the cultural program of Russia — The Netherlands Bilateral Year 2013. Florentijn Hofman is a Dutch conceptual artist. He is known for playful urban installations such as the Rubber Yellow Duck sculpture. **DMITRY LOVETSKY/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

### Climate change

## New maps needed for flood insurance, executives say

Insurance executives say homeowners will never have access to comprehensive flood insurance in Canada unless there are new maps of flood-prone areas that take climate change into account.

That's the finding of a study that surveyed senior executives at 13 Canadian insurance firms on extreme flooding. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

### What's old is new again

## U.K. museum buys 3D-printed gun

Britain's Victoria & Albert Museum says it has bought a working gun made on a 3D printer, which sparked alarm among anti-firearms campaigners when it was unveiled in the United States.

The Liberator gun was developed by University of Texas law student Cody Wilson, and made from plastic components created on a 3D printer.

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# Rescue teams warn flood victims to flee

**Colorado.** Days of rain have transformed Rocky Mountain communities into disaster areas with crumbled roads and closed stores

Rescue teams are warning people in some Colorado towns isolated by devastating flooding against remaining there, telling them that they could face weeks without basic supplies, including running water and electricity.

Helicopters and truck convoys of the National Guard carried the admonition Saturday into paralyzed canyon communities where thousands of stranded residents were eager to escape the Rocky Mountain foothills. But not everybody was willing to go. Dozens of people in hard hit Jamestown wanted to stay to watch over their homes.

Authorities made clear that residents who chose not to leave might not get another chance for a while. Rescuers won't go back for people who insist on staying, Boulder County Sheriff Joe Pelle said.

"We're not trying to force anyone from their home. We're not trying to be forceful, but we're trying to be very factual and definitive about the consequences of their decision, and we hope that they will come down," Pelle said.

Special education teacher Brian Shultz, 38, was torn about leaving his Jamestown home.

"I was thinking about staying. I could have lasted at least a year. I have a lot of training in



**Carlos Duron, 3, and his mother, Vilma Maldonado, evacuees from Longmont, Colo., are pictured at Mead High School Sunday. Inset: A section of highway is seen Saturday washed out by flooding along the South Platte River in Weld County, Colo. Hundreds of roads in the area have been damaged or destroyed by the floodwaters.**

**CLIFF GRASSMICK/THE DAILY CAMERA/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS; INSET: THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

### Disaster relief

## Rain hampers airlift efforts

The search for people stranded from the Rocky Mountain foothills to the plains of northeastern Colorado grew more difficult Sunday, with

a new wave of rain threatening to hamper airlifts from the flooded areas still out of reach.

Numerous pockets of individuals remain cut off from help even with more than 1,750 people and 300 pets already rescued from

communities.

Meanwhile, President Barack Obama signed a disaster declaration and ordered federal aid for Colorado. The White House said in a statement that the action makes federal funding available to affected individuals in Boulder County.

wilderness survival," he said, adding that he probably had enough beer to last the whole time.

As he sat outside a makeshift shelter at a high school, Shultz floated the idea of walk-

ing back into the funky mountain town.

"If we hike back, I would stay there and just live. I'd rather be at our own house than staying at some other people's houses," he said.

"They said they wouldn't force you, but it was strongly encouraged," his wife, Meagan Harrington, said, adding that about 10 of their neighbours declined to evacuate.

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# Convicted of crime, diplomats' son finds no country wants him



"Life is very stressful," says Deepan Budlakoti. "You're stateless in a country that you were born in." He and his supporters are campaigning at [www.justicefordeepan.com](http://www.justicefordeepan.com) to stop his deportation. STEVE COLLINS/FOR METRO IN OTTAWA

**Deportation.** Man says Canada is the only home he has ever known, will plead on Parliament Hill



STEVE COLLINS  
For Metro in Ottawa

Supporters of a Canadian-born man fighting an unusual deportation to India will take his case to Parliament Hill in a press conference Wednesday.

"We're calling on two ministers, the immigration minister and the public-security minister, to jump in and basically stop the deportation and to reinstate my citizenship," said Deepan Budlakoti, who was born in Ottawa to two ex-employees of the Indian High Commission, both of whom are now

## Not my home

"I am not an Indian citizen. I have never lived in India and have no ties to India whatsoever, other than the fact that my parents came from India."

Deepan Budlakoti

Canadian citizens.

Budlakoti was ordered deported in 2011 after he was sentenced to three years for weapon and drug trafficking. The government argued that because he was born to diplomatic staff, his Canadian birth did not confer automatic Canadian citizenship.

The case grew more complicated when India refused to accept him from Canada. He says he last visited India — on his Canadian passport — at age 12 for a grandparent's funeral.

"I am not an Indian citizen," Budlakoti said. "I have never lived in India and I

have no ties to India whatsoever, other than the fact that my parents came from India."

Budlakoti has had to go to court to get a work permit, which has been issued but still hasn't arrived in the mail. Meanwhile, he says, the numerous restrictions he's under — including a curfew and travel restrictions — will make it difficult to work in his field of construction.

"I can't leave (home) until 9 in the morning and I have to be back by 9 (p.m.). I can't work construction, because construction's always early in the morning."

## Growing ire. Canada's visa system the worst in world for Mexicans: Ambassador

The Mexican ambassador to Canada says his country is "really mad" at the Harper government for the continued imposition of a visa on its travellers here.

Ambassador Francisco Suarez said that Mexico is so upset that if the issue isn't resolved by next year, Mexican President Enrique Peña Nieto might have to postpone a planned visit to Canada.

That would cast a shadow over the festivities that Mexico and Canada are planning for 2014 to celebrate the 20th anniversary of the North American Free Trade Agreement and the 70th anniversary of bilateral relations.

"We're now saying it's a major irritant," said Suarez, who assumed his new post in Ottawa three months ago.

"We're now really mad. Canada has the most stringent visa system for Mexicans of any country in the world."

While Mexico's relations with Canada are generally good, the visa issue could become an obstacle to deepening economic co-operation in areas such as energy and natural resources, he said.

Canada imposed a visa on



Francisco Suarez  
THE CANADIAN PRESS FILE

Mexican travellers in 2009 to curb abuses by bogus refugee claimants. Prime Minister Stephen Harper himself has said he would

like to see it lifted but says Canada has to reform its own backlogged refugee system first.

Suarez said Mexicans have an easier time getting visas to the United States, which has serious border and immigration issues with its southern neighbour, and face no such restrictions in European Union countries.

"The Canadians require 10 times more information than the Americans."

Suarez said he found the Canadian visa forms personally offensive when he filled them out for a visit to Canada in recent years.

"I had to put the date that my mother and father died, 15 and 20 years ago."

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## Our real-life star trek: The next generation

Aldridge Grenier Alexander, 7, got suited up to meet astronaut Chris Hadfield at the Wings Over Gatineau-Ottawa Air Show on Sunday. An estimated 30,000 people took in the second annual instalment of the two-day show, which featured vintage biplanes and aircraft dating back to the Second World War and the Korean War. STEVE COLLINS/FOR METRO IN OTTAWA

## University of Calgary

### Group sees rape culture at U of C

Chants advocating sexual assault and a contentious campaign slogan are among the proof that rape culture exists at the University of Calgary, assert the founders of a new awareness group.

Student leaders in Halifax and Vancouver have recently come under fire for ugly frosh-week chants. But the problem is not specific to those cities, say members of the Consent Awareness and Sexual Education Club.

Group vice-president external Emily Leedham said she's aware of a campus cheer called the "Old Department Store" that discusses sexually assaulting a woman and tossing her in the gutter.

"It shouldn't take a bunch of frat students literally shouting this for people to take this seriously," she said.

President Ellen Bolger pointed to a campaign slogan used by a U of C student-representative candidate last semester, citing "She wants the D" (referencing the candidate's name and slang for penis) as another example of ingrained sexism.

JEREMY NOLAIS/METRO IN CALGARY



## Foodie factor. N.Y. village offers free rent to right chef

Locals looking to land a buzz-worthy, foodie-friendly restaurant in the Hudson River village of Catskill, N.Y., are offering the right chef a novel deal: Come to Catskill with a killer concept — maybe farm-to-table, gastropub or vegetarian — and get space on Main Street rent free for a year.

The hope is the right restaurant will give the growing number of downriver arrivals from New York City an attractive place to eat. And maybe it will accelerate the kind of gentrification that has revived other river towns.

"I don't know what the actual spark will be, but I



Nina Sklansky poses in an empty restaurant in Catskill, N.Y. She's trying to help bring a buzz-worthy chef to the town. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

certainly think this will help ignite whatever's going to happen," said Nina Sklansky, who belongs to a local group promoting Catskill as a funky, affordable place.

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### Telecom

## Who will bid for wireless spectrum? We'll soon find out

Consumers will soon get an indication whether there are any foreign telecoms with the billions and the brawn to push their way

past the country's three dominant carriers to compete for a piece of Canada's wireless market. Registration opens Tuesday for bids in a government auction to buy radio waves needed to build cellphone networks. America's AT&T, Norway's Telenor and U.K.'s Vodafone are rumoured to be interested. THE CANADIAN PRESS

# How Twitter flew from obscurity to IPO hype

**Social media.** Service's public sale of stock will be the most scrutinized since Facebook's Wall Street debut in 2012

### Quoted

"You can rub elbows with famous people instantly .... It wasn't until Twitter that the combination of speed and access to anyone became available for everyone."

Fordham University professor Paul Levinson, author of *New New Media*

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When Twitter started seven years ago as an obscure medium for geeks, critics dismissed it as an exercise in narcissism. Some thought it would be as intriguing as watching people gaze at their bellybuttons. But it quickly matured into a worldwide messaging service used by everyone from heads of state to revolutionaries to companies trying to hawk products.

Now, Twitter is taking the next critical step in its evolution — selling stock to the public. It promises to be the most hyped and scrutinized initial public offering since Facebook's Wall

Street debut in May 2012. To be successful, the company will need to become an advertising behemoth and prove that the same service that has already helped change the course of history can also make money.

Twitter quietly slipped out news of its plan to go public in a tweet last Thursday afternoon. By the next morning, nearly 14,000 of Twitter's 200 million users had retransmitted the message.

"Twitter epitomizes the



Famous figures on Twitter include, clockwise from top left, Oprah Winfrey, the Dalai Lama, the Bronx Zoo's once-missing Egyptian cobra, Pope Benedict XVI, President Barack Obama and Queen Elizabeth. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE

revolution of social media ... more than Facebook, more than YouTube," says Fordham University communications

professor Paul Levinson, author of *New New Media*. "It caters to the immediacy, the equality of all users." THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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# 'VALUES' JUST BIGOTRY IN DISGUISE

Sometimes, governments create more problems than they solve. That certainly seems to be the case in Quebec these days, where the Parti Québécois has proposed new workplace laws that would, in effect, infringe on the rights and freedoms of its citizens.

It boils down to this: The "Charter of Values" would ban all public employees from wearing "obvious religious symbols" while performing their official duties. Those affected would include hospital workers, teachers, daycare staff, police and public servants.

Is it simply a move to create a more secular society? On the surface, that may seem plausible. Quebec, after all, has long been polled at the bottom among Canadian provinces when it comes to religious belief. But there's more to this story.

The "obvious religious symbols" to be banned include items such as a turban, hijab, kippa or large crucifix. That last item is of



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particular importance because small crosses, it turns out, are allowed. But that's only where the inconsistencies and double standards begin.

In true political fashion, elected members of the national assembly wouldn't be subjected to the regulations themselves. Most troubling, though, is the fact that all religions aren't treated equally. Besides the allowance of small crosses, the large crucifix that sits above the province's legislative chamber — where these types of laws are made — would remain in place. That cross, PQ Minister Bernard Drainville says, represents history more so than religion.

I'm sorry, but it's either all or none. And the fact that it's not all leads us to a disturbing conclusion: This isn't an assault on the freedom of religion, it's

an assault on the freedom of a particular religion. It's a form of Islamophobia, and the charter's goal may very well be to rid the province of a large number of its immigrants.

It's a strategy that's been used before, notably in France. Enacting laws prohibiting the wearing of a headdress or a turban or a kirpan or a bindi often creates a situation where an individual has to choose between their faith and their job, as many religions have strict requirements with regards to religious garb. As Justin Trudeau rightfully pointed out last week, that's a choice that no Canadian should ever be forced to make.

The Charter of Values has come under significant scrutiny, and it will most likely violate the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms. Some say that's the plan — perhaps the goal is to use this as a platform toward separation.

At any rate, Quebec immigrants have already received a positive gesture from Ontario. An Oshawa-based hospital, Lakeridge Health, has produced an ad that features a woman wearing a headscarf and the message: "We don't care what's on your head. We care what's in it."

It seems like that should go without saying, but incidents like this make you realize that progress can't be taken for granted. We need to be vigilant to make sure that we're moving forward.

## ZOOM

### Motor-yikes!



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#### Mega-motorbike tops world record

This gigantic ride got its driver on the high road to record-breaking fame. Fabio Reggiani, 31, has created the world's tallest motorbike — a bike that's six times larger than a standard model. The product designer from Reggio Emilia, Italy, features in this year's edition of the Guinness World Records book. **METRO**

#### Motorcycle in numbers

**5.10**

metres is the height of the motorbike — higher than a double-decker bus.

**10.03**

metres is the bike's length — longer than a stretch limousine.

**5,000**

kilograms is its weight — the average weight of an African elephant.

#### Q and A

#### 'I control the bike using a joystick'

**What was the process behind making this monster motorbike?**

A team of eight of us spent seven months building the vehicle. Most of the parts are actually from large cars: The engine was an 5.7L V8 engine, running at 280 horsepower. It can drive at a top speed of 60 km/h.

**How do you reach the sky-scraping handlebars?**  
I don't (laughs). I control the bike using a joystick that's placed in front of the seat. It's quite easy, in fact — I only need to turn the front wheel.

**What's been the reaction from the public?**

My favourite one has been, "O mamma mia come è grande!" ("Oh my mother, how big it is!")

#### Clickbait



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With the days of summer in the rear-view mirror, it can be hard to escape the fall doldrums. But come on, for most of us, life ain't really so bad. If you sometimes need a little reminder on how to put on that happy face, there's a whole new wave of self-help happiness apps.

#### Happier:

Let's be honest: No one wants to be the guy walking around telling everyone how great their life is. So now you don't have to. Happier lets you share your happy thoughts with a community of like-minded happiness-seekers.

#### Track Your Happiness:

Kind of like fitness tracker meets research project. This site lets you track

who you were with and what you were doing when reaching your peak happy levels. Goodbye Debbie-downer friends.

#### Hapyr:

All it takes, according to the website, is two minutes a day to be a happier you. Hapyr sends a daily reminder for people to sit down and write for just 120 seconds about all the lovely things in their lives.

#### Twitter

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Review

Who: Vampire Weekend

Where: iTunes Festival

When: Sunday, Sept. 15

During Vampire Weekend's iTunes Festival performance Sunday, you'd be hard-pressed to recognize the nervous Ivy Leaguers who took over indie rock a few years ago. Ezra Koenig and co. came across like bona fide pop stars. On opener, Diane Young, from their latest album, *Modern Vampires of the City*, the group cranked out the tune's big hooks with aplomb. Meanwhile, tracks from their first two records, such as *Oxford Comma* and *Horchata*, received some of the strongest reactions. The band drew in equal parts from all three of their albums, and their distinct voice and polished image served to dispel criticisms that their music was too derivative of Afropop rhythms. Sure, the penchant for intellectual lyrics is still intact, but they're being themselves. They seem more comfortable in their own skin and found the balance between elitism and good old-fashioned fun. Just before their third and final encore, Koenig said goodbye to the audience and wished everyone a good school week.

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# Keeping it in the family

## Celebrity spawn.

Famous relatives are a double-edged sword in the movie business

What's in a (family) name?

Quite a bit, apparently, when it comes to the next generation of actors and directors trying to make their way in the film world.

This year's cinematic offerings at the Toronto International Film Festival featured a slew of young movie makers and up-and-coming stars with famous last names who are trying to step beyond the shadow of their well-known relatives.

But while having a recognizable surname can certainly have its perks, it seems a memorable moniker also brings certain pressures.

Colin Hanks, the witty son of the famed Tom Hanks, knows all too well what it's like to be compared to his popular father.

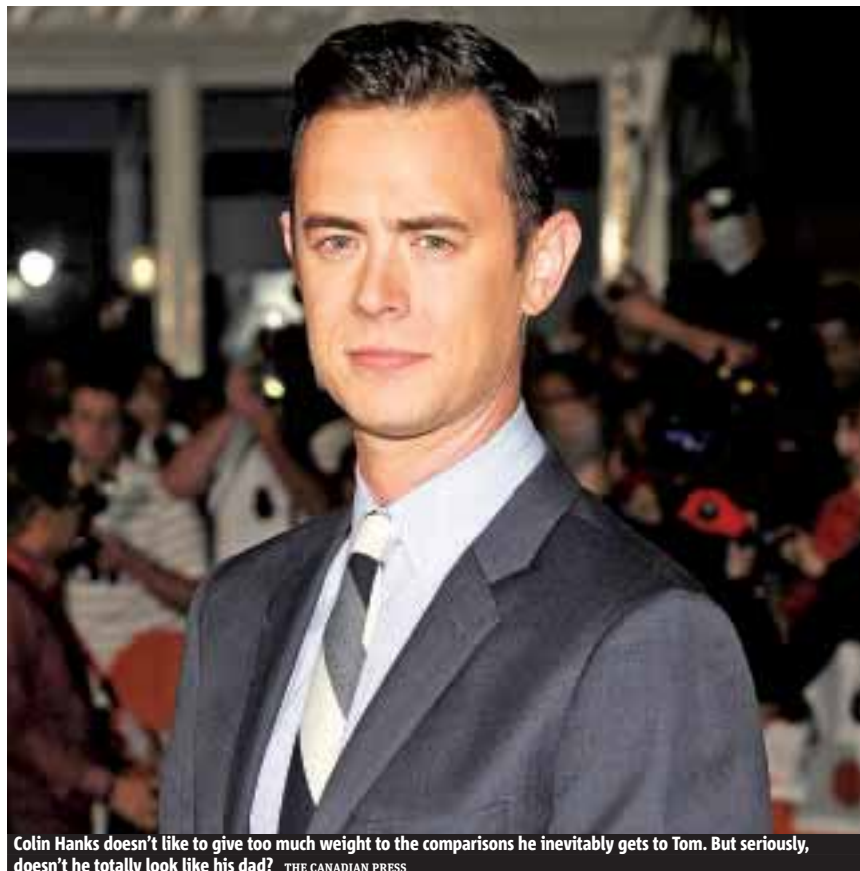
"Definitely, there is more attention than most," said the actor, who was in Toronto promoting his upcoming JFK drama *Parkland*.

"This sort of idea of, 'Oh well, he's not as good as his dad' — that always makes me laugh because I was getting that when I was 23, and I'm like 'OK ... he had time to get to where he is.'"

The younger Hanks noted that while his last name creates a point of interest, he's stopped stressing over unfair comparisons to his dad.

"There's not really a whole lot I can do about it so I don't really think about it too much," he said with a shrug. "(Acting) is a profession that I've chosen because I love it and I don't want to do anything else."

Sarah Sutherland is already learning to think along the same lines.



Colin Hanks doesn't like to give too much weight to the comparisons he inevitably gets to Tom. But seriously, doesn't he totally look like his dad? THE CANADIAN PRESS

The 25-year-old said being the daughter of Canadian actor Kiefer Sutherland and the granddaughter of esteemed actor Donald Sutherland does come with "certain assumptions."

But the budding actress, who was promoting her new movie *Beneath the Harvest Sky* at TIFF, hopes she can come to be known for her own work, and not just her name.

"My father and my grandfather have an incredible body of work and both have an incredible work ethic, so I'm just proud to be associated with them and to be making my

own mark in this industry," she said.

"We always keep business and personal things very separate and they've always been very respectful of me figuring things out on my own."

There's no doubt that the progeny of big-name celebrities get held up to higher standards. But there are some among the next generation of stars who are driven by that added scrutiny.

Take Gia Coppola, for instance. The granddaughter of Hollywood heavyweight Francis Ford Coppola (the man behind *The Godfather*) and niece

of Sofia Coppola is well-aware of the critical analysis her own directorial debut is being subjected to.

"It does add a lot of pressure, but it just makes me want to work harder and prove that I can stand on my own," said the soft-spoken 26-year-old, who has adapted a book by James Franco for the big screen with her film *Palo Alto*.

"I hope that people see the film because they're interested in the story and not so much to see what the spawn of the (Coppola) family ... can do."

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# After full-frontal, it's time to say goodbye

Where do you go after you show Alexander Skarsgård naked? Answer: Nowhere — you just have to cancel the series.

OK, that might not be the reason HBO pulled the plug on *True Blood*, but it might be close. (After you go full frontal, it's hard to go back.)

Michael Lombardo, the network's president of programming, released this statement about ending the show in 2014 after seven seasons:

"True Blood has been nothing short of a defining show for

HBO. Alan Ball took the books by Charlaine Harris, assembled a brilliant cast led by the magnificent Anna Paquin in the role of Sookie Stackhouse, and crafted a show that has taken its many devoted fans on an unforgettable journey.

Alan passed the baton to Brian Buckner, who led our fantastic writers and crew in crafting a spectacular sixth season, and he will lead us through the seventh and final season of this amazing show.

Together with its legions

of fans, it will be hard to say goodbye to the residents of Bon Temps, but I look forward to what promises to be a fantastic final chapter of this incredible show."

In a recent interview with Metro, we asked Kristin Bauer Straten, who plays Pam, what she would do when *True Blood* ends its course.

"I have a secret hope that I can stay in the world of cable television, HBO," she told us (got that, Lombardo?) "It's just nice to be in a world without

advertising.

"And I know that the other networks — kids today don't know that the networks are free. You can get a coat hanger and you can watch ABC and CBS and NBC. So, I understand they have to be paid for, but it is a different feel working for HBO, where the creative content doesn't have that control and so, clearly, we get to do things that you can't do when, you know, little kids might be watching."

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True Blood's Stephen Moyer, who did not get buck naked on the show. CONTRIBUTED

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# Hasselbeck has a friend in Fox

**Talk shows.** TV personality leaves *The View* for more conservative pastures

To Elisabeth Hasselbeck, the Fox & Friends morning show felt like home long before she actually got to work there.

It was regular viewing at home for Hasselbeck, whose 10 years on *The View* ended in July. She'll debut as Steve Doocy and Brian Kilmeade's new partner on Fox & Friends Monday, after the departing Gretchen Carlson offered farewells Friday.

"I'd almost make the analogy that it's being called up to play for one of your favourite teams in the major leagues," said Hasselbeck, whose opening week will include a series of reports with the cast of *Duck Dynasty*.

Although its viewership is typically less than a quarter of leading broadcast morning show *Good Morning America*, Fox & Friends thoroughly dominates cable. It is averaging 1.1 million viewers a day this year, the Nielsen company said. MSNBC's *Morning Joe* is at 392,000. CNN's *New Day* has averaged 308,000 viewers since its launch in the spring, enabling the network to slip past *Morning Express* on sister network HLN (249,000).

Carlson, a former Miss America, will get her own show on Fox's afternoon lineup.

She was serenaded by Gloria Estefan on her final day at F&F Friday, and watched a clip reel of past exploits: skipping rope, shooting basketballs, doing pushups, singing a Christmas carol and sharply questioning Robert Gibbs.

## Waking up is hard to do

Her immediate challenge is the same as morning show hosts everywhere: making sure she has alarm clocks that work.

- "I definitely trend toward the natural night owl end of the spectrum," she said.
- "This has been a physical change for me. I actually think the morning hours are kind of peaceful when you have the house to yourself."

As Hasselbeck rehearsed for her new job last week, Fox News executive Bill Shine jokingly called her a "survivor." He wasn't referring to her time spent on a tropical island with Jeff Probst.

Her conservative viewpoints often left her alone among her co-hosts on *The View*, or the subject of barbs from the also-departed Joy Behar and Whoopi Goldberg. Hasselbeck said everybody has challenging days on the job, whether they're in broadcasting, medicine or education.

If they haven't had challenging days, "there hasn't been that growth moment," she said. "I've had the privilege of having a lot of growth during those 10 years, let's just say that."

On her last day in July, Hasselbeck was magnanimous — particularly to *The View* creator Barbara Walters and Goldberg — but clear-eyed. She left the day after her hiring at Fox was announced.

Whether she jumped or



Steve Doocy, Elisabeth Hasselbeck and Brian Kilmeade in New York. Hasselbeck debuts as Doocy and Kilmeade's new partner on Fox & Friends Monday. CONTRIBUTED

was pushed is still murky. US Weekly reported on May 8 that Hasselbeck was being "ousted" from *The View*, which the show denied. Shine said he's long admired Hasselbeck, and said her move was triggered by running into Hasselbeck's agent at a launch party for the Fox Sports 1 cable network, which took place March 5. Shine said he followed up a few days later

by calling the agent and asking if Hasselbeck would be interested in working at Fox.

"She's very smart. She's very outgoing," said Shine, Fox's executive vice-president for programming. "She's a great on-air talent, a great personality and I think that will do very well for her in the morning."

Hasselbeck said she didn't want to talk about her depart-

ture from *The View*.

Her views will be much more at home on Fox & Friends. She said the show is No. 1 in the cable ratings for a reason.

"You have an entertainment, wake-up show that delivers important information but also meaningful conversation with content that's able to be viewed by your entire family,"

said Hasselbeck, a mother of three.

Hasselbeck added she had appeared several times on Fox to talk about pastry (she's written two cookbooks) and politics, among other topics.

"I am privileged to call myself a team member," she said, "but I have felt like family there for a long time."

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LeBron James with his high school sweetheart and now-wife Savannah Brinson in Miami. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE

# LeBron James puts a ring on it

LeBron James has another ring.

The Miami Heat star married Savannah Brinson at the posh Grand Del Mar Hotel in San Diego on Saturday, according to two people familiar with the details of the ceremony.

About 200 guests were present for the ceremony, said one of the people, both of whom spoke on condition of anonymity because the wedding was private and the couple had yet to release any details. The ceremony was the highlight of a three-day celebration that concluded with a brunch on Sunday.

James and Brinson, 27,

have been together since high school and have two sons. James, 28, proposed just after midnight on New Year's in Miami Beach, flanked then by many of his teammates — just as he was again Saturday night for his wedding.

Intense security measures surrounded the wedding, and even some of the invited guests were unclear on some specific details in the days leading up to the long-awaited event that came less than three months after James and the Heat won their second straight NBA title.

Guests were ushered into the wedding areas under the

cover of tents, and television footage taken by news helicopters showed that even umbrellas were used to protect the identity of those arriving. Heat owner Micky Arison, coach Erik Spoelstra and many of James' teammates, including Dwyane Wade and Chris Bosh, were on the guest list.

And while some with ties to James, such as Wade and his actress girlfriend Gabrielle Union, tweeted that they were in the San Diego area for a wedding, none released any details Saturday night — since one of the many rules of the wedding was believed to be that no

phones would be allowed.

Brinson spoke briefly about the wedding last spring, saying she was both excited and nervous. James has only discussed the wedding in general terms, once describing his role as only to ensure "that Savannah gets whatever she wants on her day, the wedding day she always dreamed of."

James, a four-time NBA Most Valuable Player, and the Heat will open training camp next month. In June, they outlasted the San Antonio Spurs in seven games to capture the championship.

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# Running toward big screen success at TIFF



Chloe Robichaud's *Sarah Prefers to Run* is her debut feature film. THE CANADIAN PRESS

**Sarah Prefers to Run.** Quebec filmmaker's feature debut charmed audiences at TIFF and is now headed south to the Baja Film Festival

The coming-of-age track drama *Sarah Prefers to Run* sure has legs.

After visiting Cannes earlier this year, Chloe Robichaud's debut feature courted English-language audiences at the Toronto International Film Festival and from there it was announced it was one of two Canadian films invited to the Baja International Film Festival.

Its francophone star Sophie Desmarais says she's grateful for the attention the film is earning, admitting she expects her first leading role will open doors.

Desmarais plays the singular-minded Sarah, whose passion for running earns her an invitation to a presti-

gious running club in Montreal.

But without money to fund the move, she agrees to marry her friend, Antoine, played by Jean-Sebastien Courchesne, in a bid to get lucrative school grants and loans.

The Toronto International Film Festival wrapped Sunday.

Desmarais says she needed to transform her body to convincingly play an athlete. She gained 10 pounds of muscle through pilates and running drills and then set about putting a unique stamp on Sarah's rigid stride.

"Everything is in her gaze and in her heart," she says of the 20-year-old's reserved personality, which extends to a ramrod-straight posture.

"She's very interior." The 27-year-old Desmarais, who also appeared at TIFF on behalf of Sebastien Pilote's *Le Demantelement*, says she relished the chance to flesh out a mysterious character.

Very little of Sarah's in-

ner life is revealed through dialogue, leaving Desmarais to convey as much as she could through facial expressions and other physical movements.

"She's full of determination and inner force but at the same time she's anxious, she's shy and she's afraid to meet new friends, to be in a new place," she says.

"Sarah doesn't have this ability to adapt easily so I was really touched by this because she has a great passion for running; she's a good athlete but she doesn't have the charisma and the words to speak about this."

Desmarais says she already has plans to work on Robichaud's next film, *Country*, expected to shoot next year.

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## Character study

**"She's full of determination and inner force but at the same time she's anxious, she's shy and she's afraid to meet new friends, to be in a new place."**

Sophie Desmarais on her character, Sarah, in *Sarah Prefers to Run*

## Chloe Robichaud

- **Born.** Jan. 31, 1988 in Quebec City.
- **She's no stranger.** To film festivals, Robichaud already has three short films behind her, which were shown at Cannes in 2010, 2011 and 2012.
- **University start.** Robichaud started writing the script for *Sarah Prefers to Run* while she was still a student in university.
- **Next stop, Mexico.** *Sarah Prefers to Run* is one of two Canadian films invited to the Baja International Film Festival.

## Woody Guthrie. This land is his land too: hometown finally embraces singer



A sign welcomes people to Okemah, Okla., the boyhood home of Woody Guthrie. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

When Woody Guthrie's dilapidated boyhood home was ordered torn down in the late 1970s, the demolition reflected the strained relationship between conservative Oklahoma and the native son famous for his folk singing and leftist politics.

Those tensions persisted for more than a generation, but attitudes about Guthrie have slowly softened. Now developers working with the blessing of Guthrie's relatives have announced plans to rebuild his 1860s-era boyhood home in Okemah, a time-worn town of 3,300 people desperately seeking tourism dollars.

"If you were to put a Mount Rushmore of American music here in the Midwest, the first two artists on it would be Hank Williams and Woody Guthrie," said Johnny Buschardt, a spokesman for the pro-

ject. "Without Woody, there wouldn't be a Bob Dylan or a Bruce Springsteen."

Best known for the song *This Land is Your Land*, Guthrie came of age during the Great Depression of the 1930s and later embraced left-wing politics, including for a time some tenets of communism. By weaving social issues into his music, he reimagined folk songs as platforms for protest, starting a creative tradition carried on by scores of other top artists.

In hundreds of folk songs and ballads, Guthrie's lyrics celebrated American workers, lamented the woes of the poor and advocated for civil rights. Although revered as one of the best songwriters in American history, he was rarely acknowledged, let alone honoured, by his home state, even for decades after his death in 1967.

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## Cast departures. Parks and Recreation's Ansari says show 'will be fine'

Television is littered with shows that struggled after the departure of major stars, from Ashton Kutcher and Topher Grace leaving *That '70's Show*, to David Duchovny's phase-out from *The X-Files*.

But Aziz Ansari, who plays cad Tom Haverford in *Parks and Recreation*, is confident that won't happen to the hit NBC comedy as Rob Lowe and Rashida Jones prepare for their departure during its forthcoming sixth season.

"I love Rob and Rashida, and I'm bummed they're leaving the show, but I think for their characters at that point it makes sense," said Ansari in a phone interview from Los Angeles. "The show will be fine."

Ansari says the strength of the cast, which includes Amy Poehler, Nick Offerman, Aubrey Plaza and Adam Scott, will help the series overcome the losses — and perhaps open op-



Aziz Ansari. THE CANADIAN PRESS

portunities for new plot lines for different characters that may not have received screen time otherwise.

"There's so many great people on that show, and already when we write these plot lines sometimes, it's almost hard to get everyone included in the show because there are so many people and everyone's so great," he said.

"So I wouldn't worry about it." *Parks and Recreation* returns on NBC on Sept. 26.

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Liam Hemsworth and Miley Cyrus. ALL PHOTOS GETTY IMAGES

## Who's going to swing the final wrecking ball through this relationship?

This can't be a good sign. In the wake of renewed rumours about Liam Hemsworth and January Jones getting cosy, Hemsworth's fiancée, Miley Cyrus, has unfollowed him on Twitter, adding to speculation that the couple of four years may be in trouble. Cyrus has been travelling around

Europe promoting her latest album, while Hemsworth was most recently in Las Vegas this weekend for the Mayweather-Canelo boxing match. Hemsworth and Cyrus haven't been spotted together in public since the premiere of his latest film, *Paranoia*, last month in Los Angeles.



Kanye West

## Yeezus, Kanye get a grip!

Kanye West has been formally charged with misdemeanor battery and attempted grand theft stemming from his brawl with a photographer outside the Los Angeles International Airport in July, according to TMZ. An arraignment has been scheduled for Oct. 10. "We are very gratified to learn today that the L.A.

City Attorney has chosen to criminally charge Kanye West," Gloria Allred, the attorney for photographer Daniel Ramos, said in a statement. "Celebrities should be held to the same standards as anyone else and we are very gratified that the L.A. City Attorney is not intimidated by Mr. West's fame and fortune."

## Taylor isn't moving swiftly in Aussie actor's direction

So maybe Taylor Swift does not have her sights set on Australian actor Brenton Thwaites, despite their cosy chat at a Harvey Weinstein-hosted film festival party in Toronto last week. "Taylor thinks all these rumours about her and Brenton Thwaites are completely ridiculous," a source tells Us

Weekly. "Harvey Weinstein took Taylor to his table and sat her next to Brenton. They had a nice time talking but no numbers were exchanged.

"She did think he was nice, but how can you be dating someone when you only just met them five minutes earlier?"

# METRO DISH

OUR TAKE ON THE WORLD OF CELEBRITIES

### Pop Goes The Week



## The new adventures of Pippi Longstocking — rated X

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The pilot of a private plane tells TMZ that when Justin Bieber and his posse recently exited an SUV to board, pot smoke billowed out and Justin was "baked out of his mind" on the flight. Calm down. Justin's just researching for his next song, *If I Was Your Boy* *Idol* Who Threw It All Away.

Tami Erin, who played Pippi Longstocking in some 1980s movie, says she's releasing her sex tape before her ex does. Here's hoping said ex isn't the horse or the monkey.

Prince Andrew is confronted by security personnel at Buckingham Palace. Being him is like being the Jonas Brother named ... erm ... his name is ... the one who sings on Broadway.

Brad Pitt says there may be a *World War Z* sequel in the works. It may take a while because they have to figure out the CGI neces-

sary to make the zombies run even faster.

Gwyneth Paltrow is filmed cutting in front of a school bus while riding her Vespa with one of her kids on the back. In her defence, she was late for a diamond-infused, elf-administered, \$5,000 colonic.

Jennifer Lopez and Taylor Swift are working on a song together. It's about a beautiful woman who is always ready to dance in the streets and yet gets dumped all the time.

Victoria Beckham's bike is stolen in New York. The number one suspect is Gwyneth Paltrow, who wanted to see if she could make a bus full of seniors on the way to bingo end up in a ditch.

Justin Bieber's bestest hangers-on, Lil Za and Lil Twist, are pitching an MTV reality show. Suggested titles include, *Lil, Lil & This Cut-out of Justin and Here's a Pair of Justin's Favourite Pants*.

Harvey Weinstein says that an "Arabian prince" donated half a million dollars to Hurricane Sandy relief in exchange for a 15-minute conversation with Kristen Stewart. Everything was going well until Gwyneth Paltrow drove a truck into the meeting room, because the decor offended her.

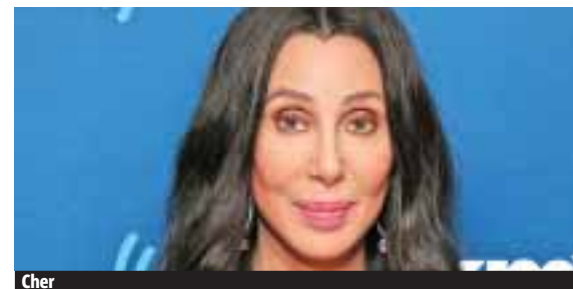


Robert Pattinson

## Pattinson wants his women to 'own it'

Robert Pattinson knows what he's looking for in a woman. "Someone knowing who they are; it's the best. I guess because it's the opposite of what I am. I am so all over the place," the *Twilight* hunk tells *Harper's Bazaar*. "If someone looks good in their clothes, it's

because they are comfortable in their own skin. It's literally just like owning it. Oh no, that is so lame. I feel like I am on *Project Runway* saying 'own that.'" Pattinson is still on the market after officially splitting from Kristen Stewart four months ago.



Cher

## Cher's not showing Russia any love

Cher is not down with Russia's current treatment of LGBT citizens, so she won't be helping out with the 2014 Winter Olympics in Sochi. "I can't name names but my friend called who is a big oligarch over there, and asked me if I'd like to be an ambas-

sador for the Olympics and open the show. I immediately said no," she tells *Maclean's* magazine. "I want to know why all of this gay hate just exploded over there. He said the Russian people don't feel the way the government does."

### Twitter

@justinbieber  
Gotta run.@DonCheadle  
Tweeps, if I'm out where there's 11K people and EVERYBODY wants "just one picture" and I politely decline, please don't take it personally.@Fred\_Willard  
Wondering today why coffee and tea cups are only half full in tv, film... Bigger question, why do I wonder?



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## Feeling good

## Getting high on self-esteem

According to Nick Whitehead, the CEO of Oxford Learning, some students with high self-esteem have only mediocre marks.

That's because they have learned important lessons: Trying is as important as success, and overcoming failure

and learning from mistakes are essential to development.

Whitehead points out that parents can tell if children have healthy self-esteem by observing their actions and asking some vital questions.

- Does all learning have to be highly structured or does she or he accept change?
- Can your child willingly

accept difficulty, or deal with failure?

- When confronted by failure, does she or he blame somebody else? Or does your child take responsibility for his or her own learning experience?

- Is your child content just to get by with average achievement or does she or he try to excel? **NEWS CANADA**



There are ways to ensure your child's self-esteem is high. **ISTOCK**

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# Take a bite out of school lunches

**Tips.** A recent survey shows that 62 per cent of parents don't enjoy making school lunches for their kids



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Being a parent is hard work. And if I were to believe what I see on Twitter, Facebook and in blogs, article and television segments, the making of school lunches is near the top of the list.

(As an aside, is it just me, or am I right in thinking that if making a school lunch is even in the top 100 complaints about your life then your life is pretty good?)

A survey I recently ran with Cityline viewers revealed that 62 per cent of respondents said they do not enjoy making their kids' lunches, but they do it anyway, even though the kids are old enough to do it themselves.

In the corporate world, this would be known as bad project management. True, there are some parents who



Getting your children involved in making their own school lunches is an opportunity to teach them about making healthy food choices. **ISTOCK**

like being responsible for putting together the lunches for their kids, which allows them to control what foods and how much goes in. Of course, it can't control the fact that little Jimmy may still trade

away his apple for a brownie, or pitch the broccoli in a bin on the way out of the lunchroom, but it can help limit their bad food choice options.

What it doesn't do, though, is teach them to

make their own healthy food choices at home, and to take on a responsibility that they can easily handle from about age eight and up.

Kids even younger should be involved in some part of

the lunch construction.

While there is a growing trend to hide nutritious food from kids (zucchini in muffins), or make it "fun" for them to eat (sandwiches cut like flowers), this is really just training mom and dad on some new mostly non-transferable culinary skills, and not providing a food education for your children. Teach them to make a regular, square sandwich instead.

So how can you get the kids to take it on?

1. Sit down and write out a list of lunch options: sandwiches, re-heatable foods and salads, as their main entree.

2. List acceptable snacks they can choose from, out of the cupboard, fridge, or fruit bowl. Then let them construct.

3. Start by having them "own" the responsibility of lunch. If they want you to make it, they have to ask. Nicely. And you can say no. (You're the boss, remember?).

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# There's an app for that — or not

Can a mobile app teach a baby to find her nose? Or learn to recognize letters and numbers?

Not according to a U.S. advocacy group that recently filed a complaint with the Federal Trade Commission alleging that two popular baby app developers — Fisher-Price Inc. and Open Solutions — are trying to dupe parents into thinking their online games make infants and toddlers smarter.

The Campaign for a Commercial-Free Childhood, the Boston-based group whose allegations against Baby Einstein

videos eventually led to nationwide consumer refunds, is urging federal investigators to examine the marketing practices of Fisher-Price's Laugh & Learn mobile apps and Open Solutions' games such as Baby Hear and Read and Baby First Puzzle.

It's the campaign's first complaint against the mobile app industry as part of its broader push to hold accountable businesses that market technology to very young children and their parents. "Everything we know about brain re-

search and child development points away from using screens to educate babies," said Susan Linn, the group's director. "The research shows that machines and screen media are a really ineffective way of teaching a baby language. What babies need for healthy brain development is active play, hands-on creative play and face-to-face" interaction.

Linn's group alleges that the companies violate truth-in-advertising laws when they claim to "teach" babies skills. For example, Open Solutions,

a developer based in Bratislava, Slovakia, says its mobile apps offer a "new and innovative form of education" by allowing babies to "practice logic and motor skills."

In a statement provided to The Associated Press, Open Solutions said it agrees that electronics are not a substitute for human interaction. It also noted the many positive reviews by customers.

Linn said her organization targeted Fisher-Price and Open Solutions because their baby apps were among the most



An advocacy group claims baby app developers are duping parents. **ISTOCK**

popular and because they represented an overall trend of deceptive marketing practices by app developers, both big and small. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**



# Mexican Independence Day isn't complete without Cemita

This traditional Mexican sandwich offers delicious layers of zesty chicken, a creamy cheese spread, crunchy cabbage slaw and sliced avocados from Mexico.

Personalize your Cemita by replacing the chicken with pulled pork or thinly sliced beef and cranking up the spice level.

Sharing, optional. Napkins, mandatory.

1. In bowl, combine cabbage, lime juice, sugar, salt and pepper. Set aside.

2. In saucepan, bring onion, broth and BBQ sauce to boil over high heat; reduce heat to medium and gently boil until onion is softened and liquid is reduced to about 1/2 cup (125 ml), about 5 minutes. Add chicken; heat through. Cover and set aside.

3. Avocado Cheese Spread: In bowl, mash one of the avocados. Stir in mayonnaise, lime juice, salt and pepper; fold in



This recipe serves six. COURTESY MISSAVACADO.CA

cheese and cilantro. Thinly slice remaining avocado.

4. To build sandwiches, place avocado slices on base of toasted buns. Spoon some of the

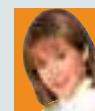
chicken mixture otop; top with cabbage slaw, then Avocado Cheese Spread, and finally a few pickled jalapenos. Top with bun lids, skewering with picks, if needed. MISSAVACADO.CA

## Ingredients

- 2 cups (500 ml) finely shredded cabbage
- 2 tbsp (30 ml) lime juice
- 1 1/2 tsp (7 ml) sugar
- 1/4 tsp (1 ml) each salt and freshly ground pepper
- 1 small onion, thinly sliced
- 3/4 cup (175 ml) chicken broth
- 1/2 cup (125 ml) favourite smoky BBQ sauce
- 3 cups (750 ml) cooked rotisserie chicken, shredded
- **Avocado Cheese Spread**
- 2 fully ripened avocados from Mexico, halved, pitted, peeled
- 1/4 cup (60 ml) light mayo
- 1 tsp (5 ml) lime juice
- 1/4 tsp (1 ml) each salt, pepper
- 1 cup (250 ml) shredded fresh Oaxaca cheese
- 1/4 cup (60 ml) chopped cilantro
- 1/2 cup (125 ml) sliced pickled jalapeno peppers
- 6 large sesame seed burger buns, split and toasted

## Healthy eating

### Choose it and lose it



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Get in those last cold treats before fall arrives, but be careful if you're watching calories, fat and sugar.



### Medium Dairy Queen S'mores Blizzard

**870 cal / 38 g fat / 92 g sugar**  
Better stick to the camp fire s'mores for calories and fat. The soft serve with s'more ingredients is not worth the calories, fat and sugar.

### Equivalent

One medium Dairy Queen S'mores Blizzard is equal in fat to eight s'mores.



### Medium Dairy Queen Chocolate Sundae

**410 calories / 9 g fat / 64 g sugar**  
A chocolate sundae is so satisfying at half the calories and one quarter the fat.



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# Memorizing a 400-digit number? 'Anyone can do it with practice'

**All hail the human computer.** Some folks are making it their mission to be masters of memory, but is the skill still valid in the age of all things digital?

**KIERON MONKS**  
Metro World News in London

In 1978, sharks turn vegetarian. In 2041, a mouse swims across the ocean. This was unlike any test I had experienced — in five minutes I had to memorize 150 pairs of abstract events and dates, competing against the world's best memories.

Around the room competitors had their eyes shut in fierce concentration, their ears covered with headphones; some tapped their feet or rocked back

## Joggin' the noggin

**"If you don't exercise your memory, your attention span and mental agility suffers. Google is fast food and we need to work it off."**

**Dominic O'Brien**  
Author and former memorization champion



A contestant waits his turn in the final round of the speed cards trial at the UK Open Memory Championship.

KIERON MONKS / MWN

and forth. I was out of my depth and relieved to score 10. "Not terrible," according to a supervisor.

The UK Open Memory Championship, held at the Science Museum in London, England, attracts many of the leading mnemonists. They compete in 10 disciplines that include memorizing decks of cards in under a minute and reciting 400-digit binary numbers.

"This is about creativity — you take the numbers and turn them into pictures and make stories out of them," says three-time

world champion Ben Pidmore, who describes himself as an "accountant with the soul of a hippie."

This year's winner was Swedish prodigy Jonas Von Essen, 21. He agreed the process is all about imagination.

"I write, draw, make movies and look at different shapes to figure out what they could be — that is how I get the discipline. Anyone can do it with practice."

Changing the impression of a closed shop for science geeks is key to the sport's growth, and although there

were no female participants this year, new ground is being broken all the time.

Since the first World Championships in 1991, seven founding members have grown into global rankings for a top 1,000 and a thriving tour of prestige events from Bahrain to China.

Standards have been driven up along the way.

"In athletics we measure success and failure by 100ths of seconds, but in mental athletics every year we are discovering the brain capacity is much bigger than we thought possible,"

says Chris Day, general secretary of the World Memory Sports Council.

In the 1980s it was widely believed that no-one could recall more than 30 numbers, but the 2012 World Champion Wang Feng, from China, has memorized 2,660.

To compete at the top, training requirements have gone from one hour per day for a week, to 10-hour days for six months, and many competitors use audiovisual stimulation machines to keep them sharp.

Some have questioned the need for memory training in a digital age, but author and former champion Dominic O'Brien believes it is essential.

"If you don't exercise your memory, your attention span and mental agility suffers. Google is fast food

and we need to work it off."

O'Brien has secured government funding for a scheme that teaches memory techniques in schools.

"You have the kids learn a story and then they realize they have learned the first 20 elements of the periodic table."

But for real-life application, many of the competitors said they are still just as likely to forget their car keys or get lost on holiday, as the techniques need to be consciously applied.

Others have been chased out of casinos for their card-counting tricks. Chris Day foresees a military use.

"If agents could memorize a lot of data it would get through searches."

Human surveillance units? In the NSA-era, our memories may be the only safe place left.

## Memory technique

### Remembering a speech:

- Break it down into sections
- Attach a word to each section. Example: door, dog, handkerchief.
- Construct a story using the words and give them context. Example: 'I walk through the squeaking door, and see my dog sitting on the mat. On his nose is a handkerchief.'
- Go over the story until you can remember it forward and backward.

# I want words, not the wide screen

**Beauty of the book.** How to foster a life-long love of reading in your little one

Reading is a gift — it takes you on a journey, opens your eyes, raises questions and exposes you to new thoughts and ideas. With the following four tips, you can make sure your child will read more and have fun while doing it:

## Designate reading time

Setting daily reading time with your child is an effective way to motivate him or her to read more. Whether it is dur-

ing breakfast, after school or before bedtime, a set time of day infuses routine and stability, giving your child something to look forward to.

## Learn a new word a day

Pick out a word in an encyclopedia, or have your child flip to a random page and select a word with his or her finger, then study it and learn the spelling and meaning behind the word. If you would like to go even further, you can encourage your child to use that word in a sentence the following day to help with memory retention.

## Learn through listening

Audio books, learning songs

and trivia challenges help build comprehension skills and vocabulary. For a tool to help the learning to read and write process, the LeapReader by LeapFrog has a library with more than 150 stories, work and audio books, along with a wide range of activities that are sure to stimulate their minds and help foster enhanced reading and writing skills.

These tips will help ensure reading is an enjoyable experience that you and your child will relish. By making reading fun, you will ensure that your child enhances his or her skills and it will be a memorable experience that you can

share together for years to come. **NEWS CANADA**

## Keep a journal

A journal is a great way to bolster your child's creativity and enhance reading and writing skills.

- To add another layer of learning, encourage kids to use some of the new words they have been learning to further enhance their vocabulary. A short daily journal entry will help keep their skills sharp.



Why don't you start your son or daughter with a story you loved at their age? ISTOCK



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## Knights end pre-season on losing note

The London Knights dropped their final pre-season exhibition games over the weekend, both to the Plymouth Whalers.

Playing Friday with 13 players still at NHL camps, the Knights lost 6-3 on home ice. London goals were scored by Mark Gazdic, Brandon Li Wan Po and Remi Elie.

Christian Dvorak gave the Knights their only goal in Saturday's contest, which ended 5-1.

London opens the regular season Friday against the Whalers at Budweiser Gardens. **METRO**

Davis Cup

## Canadians fall in semifinal in Serbia

Canada limped out of the 2013 Davis Cup semifinal with three losses to Serbia, and two bruised bodies.

The Canadian team's Davis Cup run came to an end Sunday as Janko Tipsarevic beat Vasek Pospisil 7-6 (3), 6-2, 7-6 (6), giving Serbia the 3-2 win in the best-of-five tie.

Pospisil was injured on the final point when he dove to hit a volley.

Tipsarevic took a commanding 5-1 lead in the decisive tiebreak but had trouble closing out the game.

Earlier, world No. 1 Novak Djokovic forced the decider when he took down No. 11 Milos Raonic 7-6 (1), 6-2, 6-2 in the first match of the day at Kom-bank Arena.

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Cycling

## Sagan steals show in Montreal

Peter Sagan broke away from the lead group four kilometres from the finish line and held on to win the Grand Prix Cycliste de Montreal ahead of Simone Ponzi and Canada's Ryder Hesjedal on Sunday.

Sagan, the Slovak leader of the Cannondale team, finished four seconds ahead of Ponzi, of the Astana team, and five ahead of Hesjedal, the Garmin Sharp team leader from Victoria. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**



Leafs goalie James Reimer makes a save with Flyers forward Brayden Schenn on his doorstep on Sunday night at Budweiser Gardens. There were a number of Knights alumni in action including Nazem Kadri, Ryan Rupert and Dave Bolland for the Leafs and goalies Steve Mason and Anthony Stolarz for the Flyers. **MARK SPOWART/FOR METRO**

# Former Knights help Leafs douse Flyers

**NHL.** Bolland, Kadri draw big cheers from London crowd in pre-season action

Leafs forward Dave Bolland received the loudest ovation when the starting lineups were introduced for Sunday night's Leafs pre-season game at Budweiser Gardens against the Flyers.

The reason? Bolland played

On Sunday

4

Leafs

3

Flyers

his junior hockey here, and the faithful — some 9,000 strong — hadn't forgotten his four years (2002-06) in a London Knights uniform.

The same could be said for Nazem Kadri and Ryan Rupert, both former Knights. And Kadri gave them all something to buzz about right off the start.

Kadri executed one of his toe-drag deke specials — this one with veteran Hal Gill as the victim — en route to the game's opening goal in the Leafs' 4-3 win over the Flyers.

This is what Kadri is being paid to do and he should be a treat for Leafs fans once again, especially when he finds open ice and challenges defence-

men one-on-one with a head of steam.

While the former Knights were a big part of the script, James Reimer put in a solid performance in net.

Reimer and Jonathan Bernier will be under the most scrutiny in the pre-season, a battlefield for the goalies and others looking to make an impression on the coaching staff.

Reimer, meanwhile, had three goals go by, but looked sharp.

**TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**

## OUA. Mustangs approach points record vs. Ottawa

The Western Mustangs football team picked up an important victory on Saturday and came within three points of tying a team record in the process.

The Mustangs defeated Ottawa 83-27 at TD Stadium to remain undefeated with four wins in as many Ontario Universities Association games.

The final score fell just one point short of overtak-

ing the OUA record of 111 total points scored in a single game. The team record for most points scored by the Mustangs remains 86.

Mustangs head coach Greg Marshall said his team still needs to play better football.

"Certainly the goal of the season at the beginning of the year was to beat the University of Ottawa in this football game, but our goal

is to get better and better each week," he said after the game.

The Mustangs' offence was led by quarterback Will Finch who threw for 297 yards and three touchdowns. He also rushed for 63 yards and added a rushing TD.

The Burlington native spread the ball around as three different Western players had five receptions. Brian

Marshall led the way with three TDs.

Running back Garret Sanvido led the Mustangs ground game, putting in his best performance of the season with 180 yards rushing on 12 carries with two touchdowns.

The Mustangs try to extend their win streak on Saturday against the Laurier Golden Hawks in Waterloo at 1 p.m. **METRO**

# Manuel fits the Bills with winning drive

**NFL.** Rookie QB tosses deciding TD with two seconds remaining to overcome a pair of turnovers vs. Panthers

Clutching the game ball tightly in his hands, EJ Manuel was making his way up the tunnel in the euphoria of a last-second victory when the Buffalo Bills rookie quarterback was stopped in his tracks.

Hall of Fame QB Jim Kelly jumped from out of nowhere to greet Manuel with a big bear hug and two brief words: "Good job."

On the day the Bills honoured Kelly and other past stars during a halftime ceremony, Manuel provided a promising glimpse into the franchise's future. The first-round draft pick out of Florida State threw a two-yard touchdown pass to Stevie Johnson

## Quoted

**"This is like going to the dentist and getting several teeth pulled without any anesthesia, laughing gas, nothing."**

**Panthers wide receiver Steve Smith,** on the team's difficulty in winning close games. Carolina dropped to 2-14 in games decided by seven points or less in two-plus seasons under coach Ron Rivera.

with two seconds left to clinch a 24-23 win over the stunned Carolina Panthers on Sunday.

"I can't even tell you how it felt," Manuel said of the touchdown pass. "I think I started crying right then. I'm not usually an emotional guy. But I'm going to enjoy these type of things."

Manuel was 29 of 37 for 296 yards and bounced back after throwing an interception and losing a fumble on consecutive possessions, with the turnovers leading to field

goals by Graham Gano. He became the fifth NFL rookie since 1960 to engineer a fourth-quarter comeback in his first or second game.

"I'm not surprised. EJ doesn't seem like a rookie," said Johnson, who finished with 111 yards receiving. "He earned a lot of our respect."

Bills defensive end Mario Williams set a team record with 4 1/2 sacks. Fred Jackson scored on a four-yard run.

The Bills (1-1) bounced back from the disappointment of squandering a lead in the final seconds of a season-opening 23-21 loss to New England.

It was a bittersweet first victory for rookie coach Doug Marrone, who took over after Chan Gailey was fired. Marrone was in tears after the game when he revealed he was mourning the loss of a good friend, Rob Edson, the Onondaga Community College athletic director, who died suddenly Saturday.

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Stevie Johnson catches a two-yard touchdown pass with two seconds left in the Bills' 24-23 win over the Panthers on Sunday in Orchard Park, N.Y.

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## Around the league

**Packers 38, Redskins 20.** Aaron Rodgers threw for a career-high 480 yards and four touchdowns.

**Chargers 33, Eagles 30.** Nick Novak kicked a 46-yard field goal with seven seconds left, spoiling Chip Kelly's home debut.

**Bears 31, Vikings 30.** Jay Cutler threw a 16-yard touchdown pass to Martellus Bennett with 10 seconds left.

**Chiefs 17, Cowboys 16.** Alex Smith threw for 223 yards and two touchdowns.

**Texans 30, Titans 24.** Rookie DeAndre Hopkins caught a two-yard touchdown pass in overtime to cap Houston's comeback win.

**Falcons 31, Rams 24.** Julio Jones hauled in 11 passes for 182 yards, including an 81-yard touchdown.

**Ravens 14, Browns 6.** Baltimore sacked Brandon Weeden five times before finally knocking him out of the game in the fourth quarter.

## PGA

### Rain washes BMW finale into Monday

Jim Furyk will have to wait one more day to try to end three years without a PGA Tour victory.

The final round of the BMW Championship was suspended Sunday because of steady rain that left too much water on Conway Farms. Furyk, who has a one-shot lead over Steve Stricker, was still about two hours away from even teeing off.

"The bad news - obviously, I'm anxious to get out there and play, as is everyone else," Furyk said. "But the good news is no one wants to go out and play in this and slop it around in bad weather on a golf course where we're playing the ball down and it's probably a little too wet out there."

Furyk was at 13-under 200 and in the final group with Stricker. Brandt Snedeker was two shots behind at 202, followed by Zach Johnson at 203 and Tiger Woods at 204. Woods was penalized two shots on Friday when his ball moved as he was removing a small branch next to it behind the first green. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

## MLB. Avila flushes Royals out of Motown with tiebreaking homer

Max Scherzer could only watch as the lead — and another shot at his 20th win — slipped away.

The Detroit right-hander didn't mind, especially once Alex Avila's homer put the Tigers ahead again moments later.

Avila homered twice, including a tiebreaking solo shot in the eighth inning that lifted Detroit over the Kansas City Royals 3-2 Sunday. Scherzer was in line for his 20th win when reliever Drew Smyly allowed the Royals to tie it in the top of the eighth, but Avila answered with a drive to right-centre for his 11th home run this season.

"We're just looking to win the game," Scherzer said. "I don't care if I win another game, if we win our division, that's all that matters."

The AL Central-leading Tigers entered five games ahead of second-place Cleveland, which faced the Chicago White Sox.

Scherzer has two losses and two no-decisions since a 19-1 start but was terrific Sunday. He allowed a run and five hits with 12 strikeouts and one walk in seven innings. He



Ramon Santiago congratulates Alex Avila on hitting a two-run home run on Sunday in Detroit.

LEON HALIP/GETTY IMAGES

was on track to become baseball's first 20-game winner this year when he pitched out of a second-and-third, one-out jam in the seventh to preserve a one-run lead.

Joaquin Benoit got three outs for his 20th save in 20 chances.

Jeremy Guthrie (14-11) pitched all eight innings for the Royals. He allowed three runs and 13 hits. He struck out four and walked one.

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## MLB

### AMERICAN LEAGUE

#### EAST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	91	59	.607	—
Tampa Bay	81	67	.547	9
Baltimore	79	70	.530	11½
New York	79	70	.530	11½
Toronto	68	81	.456	22½

#### CENTRAL DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Detroit	86	63	.577	—
Cleveland	80	68	.541	5½
Kansas City	78	71	.523	8
Minnesota	64	84	.432	21½
Chicago	58	90	.392	27½

#### WEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Oakland	88	61	.591	—
Texas	81	67	.547	6½
Los Angeles	72	77	.483	16
Seattle	66	83	.443	22
Houston	51	98	.342	37

#### Sunday's results

Baltimore 3 Toronto 1  
Detroit 3 Kansas City 2  
Minnesota 6 Tampa Bay 4  
L.A. Angels 2 Houston 1  
Oakland 5 Texas 1  
Cleveland at Chicago White Sox  
N.Y. Yankees at Boston

#### Saturday's results

Boston 5 N.Y. Yankees 1  
Oakland 1 Texas 0  
Toronto 4 Baltimore 3  
Kansas City 1 Detroit 0  
Tampa Bay 7 Minnesota 0  
Cleveland 8 Chicago White Sox 1  
L.A. Angels 6 Houston 2

#### Monday's games — All Times Eastern

Seattle (Saunders 11-14) at Detroit (Porcello 12-8), 7:08 p.m.  
Texas (Garza 3-4) at Tampa Bay (Cobb 8-3), 7:10 p.m.  
Cincinnati (Cueto 4-2) at Houston (Bedard 4-10), 8:10 p.m.  
Minnesota (Hendriks 1-2) at Chicago White Sox (Quintana 7-6), 8:10 p.m.  
Cleveland (Kazmir 8-8) at Kansas City (Shields 11-9), 8:10 p.m.  
L.A. Angels (Wilson 16-6) at Oakland (Gray 3-3), 10:05 p.m.

### NATIONAL LEAGUE

#### EAST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Atlanta	89	60	.597	—
Washington	79	70	.530	10
Philadelphia	69	80	.463	20
New York	67	82	.450	22
Miami	55	94	.369	34

#### CENTRAL DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Pittsburgh	87	62	.584	—
St. Louis	87	62	.584	—
Cincinnati	84	66	.560	3½
Milwaukee	65	83	.439	21½
Chicago	63	86	.423	24

#### WEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Los Angeles	86	63	.577	—
Arizona	75	73	.507	10½
San Francisco	69	81	.460	17½
San Diego	68	80	.459	17½
Colorado	68	82	.453	18½

#### Sunday's results

N.Y. Mets 1 Miami 0 (12 inn.)  
San Diego 4 Atlanta 0  
Pittsburgh 3 Chicago Cubs 2  
Washington 11 Philadelphia 2  
Milwaukee 6 Cincinnati 5  
St. Louis 12 Seattle 2  
San Francisco 4 L.A. Dodgers 3  
Arizona 8 Colorado 2

#### Saturday's results

Cincinnati 7 Milwaukee 3  
Miami 3 N.Y. Mets 0  
Pittsburgh 2 Chicago Cubs 1  
Philadelphia 5 Washington 4  
Atlanta 2 San Diego 1  
Seattle 4 St. Louis 1  
N.Y. Mets 3 Miami 1  
Arizona 9 Colorado 2  
San Francisco 19 L.A. Dodgers 3

#### Monday's games — All Times Eastern

San Diego (Cashner 9-8) at Pittsburgh (Burnett 8-10), 7:05 p.m.  
Miami (Dyson 0-0) at Philadelphia (Lee 13-6), 7:05 p.m.  
Atlanta (Minor 13-7) at Washington (Haren 9-13), 7:05 p.m.  
Chicago Cubs (Jackson 8-15) at Milwaukee (Peralta 9-15), 8:10 p.m.  
St. Louis (Lynn 13-10) at Colorado (McHugh 0-2), 8:40 p.m.  
L.A. Dodgers (Ryu 13-6) at Arizona (Cahill 6-10), 9:40 p.m.

## CFL

### WEEK 12

#### EAST DIVISION

	GP	W	L	T	PF	PA	Pts
Toronto	11	7	4	0	321	288	14
Hamilton	11	5	6	0	288	303	10
Montreal	11	4	7	0	259	321	8
Winnipeg	11	2	9	0	224	333	4

#### WEST DIVISION

	GP	W	L	T	PF	PA	Pts
Calgary	11	9	2	0	346	268	18
Saskatchewan	11	8	3	0	354	258	16
B.C.	11	7	4	0	301	280	14
Edmonton	11	2	9	0	259	301	4

#### Sunday's result

B.C. 36 Montreal 14

#### Saturday's results

Edmonton 25 Winnipeg 7  
Toronto 31 Saskatchewan 29

## NFL

### WEEK 2

#### Sunday's results

Buffalo 24 Carolina 23  
Kansas City 17 Dallas 16  
San Diego 33 Philadelphia 30  
Miami 24 Indianapolis 20  
Atlanta 31 St. Louis 24  
Green Bay 38 Washington 20  
Baltimore 14 Cleveland 6  
Houston 30 Tennessee 24  
Chicago 31 Minnesota 30  
Arizona 25 Detroit 21  
New Orleans 16 Tampa Bay 14  
Denver 41 N.Y. Giants 23  
Oakland 19 Jacksonville 9  
San Francisco at Seattle  
**Monday's game — All Times Eastern**  
Pittsburgh at Cincinnati, 8:40 p.m.

## MLS

#### Saturday's results

Columbus 2 Montreal 1  
D.C. 2 Los Angeles 2  
New York 2 Toronto FC 0  
Houston 1 Philadelphia 0  
Chicago 3 New England 2  
Colorado 2 FC Dallas 1  
Chivas USA 1 Portland 1  
San Jose 0 Vancouver 0  
**Friday's game — All Times Eastern**  
Colorado at Portland, 10 p.m.



## Horoscopes

### Aries

March 21 - April 20

When the Sun moves into the relationship area of your chart next weekend, you will have to compromise more. If there is anything selfish you want to do, you should do it now.

### Taurus

April 21 - May 21

If you have been having second thoughts about a project, you should keep them to yourself. Something will happen this week to make you realize things aren't as bad as you fear.

### Gemini

May 22 - June 21

At last there is light at the end of the tunnel and you will emerge into that light no later than the 22nd when the Sun moves into your fellow Air sign of Libra. In the meantime, don't take life so seriously.

### Cancer

June 22 - July 23

Have fun with friends this week because later you won't have time for socializing as you will be dealing with serious issues at home and at work. Laugh hard now and work hard later.

### Leo

July 24 - Aug. 23

Keep a firm grip on the purse strings over the next few days because if you start spending more than you can afford, you will regret it towards the end of the month. Save for something that is really worth having.

### Virgo

Aug. 24 - Sept. 23

The world won't come to a halt today but you will notice that certain parts of it start to slow down. It could, of course, be an optical illusion: Maybe it's just you speeding up and moving faster than everyone else.

### Libra

Sept. 24 - Oct. 23

When the Sun enters your birth sign on the 22nd, there will be no holding you back. But between now and then, you will have to conform to what others expect of you.

### Scorpio

Oct. 24 - Nov. 22

Take life as it comes and don't worry too much about its wider meaning. There will be no end of opportunities to ask the big questions towards the end of the month. For now, live in and enjoy the moment.

### Sagittarius

Nov. 23 - Dec. 21

Some thoughts in your head don't seem to belong to you. So where do they come from? Most likely you have allowed yourself to be influenced too much by your environment. Think for yourself.

### Capricorn

Dec. 22 - Jan. 20

You may be annoyed that your talents have been overlooked but the good news is you will soon break through to the big time. Be patient and be ready to act quickly.

### Aquarius

Jan. 21 - Feb. 19

You can hardly put a foot wrong at the moment and your luck should get even better towards the end of the week. But don't take anything for granted or the planets may decide to knock you back a bit.

### Pisces

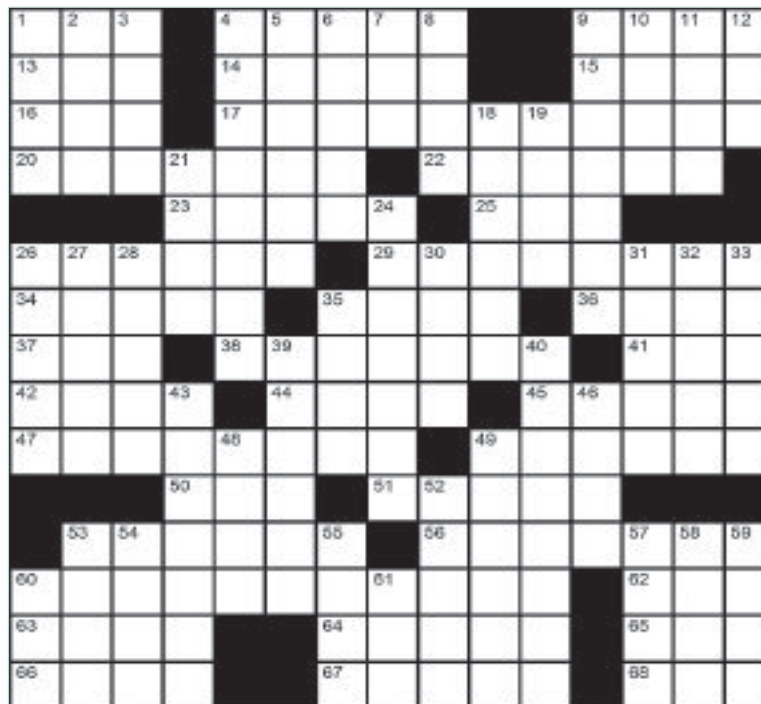
Feb. 20 - March 20

If you want to improve your life, you can't change things overnight. Set just one target to reach every day, and don't move to the next until you have mastered it. **SALLY BROMPTON**

## Crossword: Canada Across and Down

### Across

- Compress, as a computer file
- Fancy-hatted English racecourse
- Kind of spirit
- Filmmaker Ms. Lupino
- Cursed
- Old Scandinavian symbol
- Modern
- "Dancing with the Stars" host: 2 wds.
- Alberta town
- Fall, for one
- \_\_\_ it goes (There you have it): 2 wds.
- Sixes, Roman-style
- Situation of unstableness or of urgency
- Eagles hit: "\_\_\_"
- Is a tenant
- Praiseful poems
- \_\_\_ Fein
- Do like Al Pacino
- Canadian tenor Ben
- Certain consciousness
- Some are faux
- God: Spanish
- Legendary acting teacher, Stella \_\_\_ (b.1901 - d.1992)
- Hockey great from Saskatchewan, Bryan \_\_\_
- \_\_\_ Path (Toronto neighbourhood dubbed 'Millionaires Row')



- Paul's music duo partner
- Worker laying down the ceramics
- Some brands of electronics
- Most dungeon-like
- RCMP in French is GRC which is... \_\_\_ royale du Canada

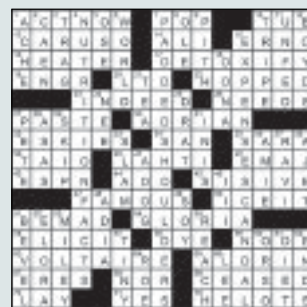
- Alias indicator
- Ballerina's skirt
- Tiger Woods' ex-wife, and namesakes
- Bolt
- "\_\_\_ Slidin' Away" by Paul Simon
- Lets up
- Wilt
- Multivitamin

- mineral
- Notion
- Chess piece
- Dazzle
- Pirate fight weapons
- Arrives
- Earth, for one
- Jeans tops
- Locks
- Certain currency

- Unknown advice seeker's sign off, for short
- Sign on a restaurant restroom
- Change
- Laundry detergent brand
- Ship spar
- \_\_\_ of Montreal (Historic area on the

- St. Lawrence River)
- Basketry, for example
- Happen again
- Book's brief beginning
- Hankering
- Move over
- Georgia who played Georgette on "The Mary Tyler Moore Show"
- Sleep silently opposite
- "The Andy Griffith Show" role
- Newspaper VIP
- Infrequency
- Pursuit for Caroline Rhea
- Mr. Bogarde of film
- \_\_\_ bit harder (Put more effort in)
- "Glee" character played by Darren Criss
- Actor Mr. Elba
- Alone: French
- Against
- Captain Hook's sidekick
- Corn units
- Gull-like bird
- Powdered fruit-flavoured drink
- Lettered sports cars
- Old music high note

## Friday's Crossword

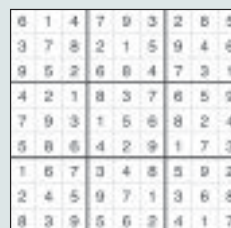


## Sudoku

### How to play

Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved.

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